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IF BY ANY accident a compromise candidate for lieutenant governor should be necessary at Harrisburg, there are Scrantonians ready to vouch for the running qualities of Colonel Thomas J.

An Ideal Labor Day.

It is a happy evidence of American pluck that despite an inauspicious winter and a hostile national administration which have both sorely tried the patience of the American artisan, Labor Day, 1894, was celebrated in a manner evincing good judgment, selfcontrol and general cheerfulness. Perhans at no prior time in the history of this generation has there been larger chance for pessimistic reflections. The spectacle that confronts the American toiler today is one well calculated to tunities for employment decreased in nexation. almost unprecedented ratio and the commonest necessaries of life in many thousands of cases unobtainable, even at their present low prices, because there is not, among this suffering class. the money wherewith to purchase, it could readily be understood and pardoned were the oratory of yesterday to have assumed a more dismal tone than had previously been its keynote and had there been in it a larger proportion of the unjust bitterness which suffering nearly always engenders.

Instead of all this, the pageantry which presented itself was in the main well dressed and well fed; was joving, hopeful and determined. There may have been in it the occasional anggestion of political disappointment and of personal chargin but upon the whole it was such a massing of skilled and educated artisans as could be found on no other continent than our own and under no other system than that of protection to American industries. It bore the obvious imprint of years of popular | have set so many political vagaries liberty and common opportunity for self-improvement. It was a parade of know how deeply they have penelaborers who were men and citizens. not mere industrial slaves; and it showed, in a thousand different details. the effect of the relatively high standall the other nations of the earth.

that carries its own bidorsome Conceding that in localities throughtions that attest the general role of labor day's excellence as a symbol of employes, will tomorrow become employers; and men who, although poor today, will tomorrow be bonestly rich with the fair rewards of thrifty toil and wisely husbanded resources. We cannot, as a nation, keep this pauoramic demonstration of America's boundless possibilities too vividly before our eyes. Nothing is a surer incentive to patriolism, nothing a safer incitement to honest prides A boliday which can leave all classes the better for its discreat observance nee is no more elaborate eugonium.

Ball club, of Philadelphia, an amateur organization comprising railway kings, journalistic premiers and other famous men, includes fifty-two officers, in ad- party is safe beyond possibility of perdition to the regular nine players. This is a larger bunch of hustiers than Philadelphia ever previously got credit | telligence of the American people. Its

That Ohio Pointer.

Is view of the great ado which has been made in the Democratic papers over the fact that the Democratic candate. Sorg, was recently elected to Congress in the Third Ohio district, to fill out the unexpired term of Representathat this Duten capture of Holland was as little Peterkin would say, a 'famous victory." The New York Sun, however, dispels this fond illusion of the tariff smashers in the following cruel fashion.

The New York Evening Post speaks of The New York Evening Post speaks of the Demograts as "holding their own" at the special election in the Third district of Ohio. This is the remarkable mathematical process by which it arrives at the result: "The Democrats have now carried the district by about 3,000, which is about the majority given to Mr. Houk in 1892." Mr. Houk's majority over the Republican candidate, Donley, in the election of 1892, which the Post describes as "about 3,003," was precisely 4,316. The Post's "about" covers a deliberate misstatement in the way covers a deliberate misstatement in the way of reduction amounting to a fraction less than forty-four per cent. Mr. Serg's majority on Tuesday over Rathbone, which the Post likewise describes as "about 3,000," is 1,731, according to the unofficial returns. This other "about" of the Post covers a second misstatement the Post covers a second misstatement, this time in the way of exaggeration, amounting to just a little over 74 per cent. Using these two "abouts" in the disingenuous manner here shown, the Post informs its readers that the Democrats in the Third Ohio district have held their own; that there has been no falling off in the Democratic majority as compared with the last congress election. The state-ment would be comforting if it were true: ment would be comforting if it were true; but it is untrue. The truth is that the Democratic majority in the district has fallen off from 4,316 to 1,721. It has been more than cut in half. It has suffered a loss of 60 per cent. Congressman Sorg is a brand snatched from the burning. The result in the Third Ohio district is hardly less lamentably significant than was that in the Fourteenth and Fifteenth districts of New York three mouths ago.

The Demogratic inability to state facts correctly is further shown in an attempt of several Democratic organs to

troops to dislodge riotous tramps from a freight train they had stolen during the recent Coxey crusade, The foregoing figures of the Sun show that if this incident played any part whatever in the third district special election, Governor McKinley's fearless and ready discharge of a disagreeable duty was properly appreciated by the people. The intimation that organized labor would encourage theft and riot by frowning upon a proper exercise of wholesome and necessary authority is an insult which self-respecting workingmen will not relish, coming from the party that has so generally robbed la-THE SCRANTON TRIBUNE. bor of its wages and its work.

> IF A TIME should come when sensitive Scranton would want to bury its greatest nuisances, the pellucid Lackawanna should not go quicker than the attenuated Spruce street block pave.

IT SEEMED at the time of the original order hard lines for trainmen that they could not quit work on a road operated within the control of the federal courts while on roads not thus operated fellow trainmen could quit at will. The house judiciary committee did not run far counter to public sentiment when it overruled Judge Jenkins and voted to define more clearly the duties of a federal judge. The legal rights of railway operatives as a class ought certainly to be uniform, whether the road by which they are employed be under a receivership or not.

THE PEOPLE of Hazleton and vicinity have additional cause for complaint temper his firmness and test his now that Wilkes-Barre has coldin igcourage. With wages reduced, oppor- nored them in its grand scheme of an-

> Have Courage in Principle. It is again intimated, this time in the Philadelphia Press, that the motive of Senator Quay in taking a tentative stand in favor of free silver was to ascertain the drift of sentiment among the people, with a view to guarding against errors in the forthcoming state platform. The Press says: "When the state convention meets it will not only have the work of nominating a state ticket, but it will be expected to deliver itself of a platform that will be a battle cry for the Republican party In 1806. For this reason the leaders in the state have begun casting about to ascertain how the people of Pennsyl vania stand on the political questions that are now to the front. It is the intention of the Republican leaders to be very sure of their ground in the coming elections. The unsettled state of affairs brought about by Democratic mismanagement and Bourbon malice, affoat that it is highly important to trated.

Caution in this, as in other directions, is no doubt admirable, but it is possible to pursue it too far. It cannot ards of living that form the great item in the nature of things be the future of America's industrial superiority over | mission of the Republican party or the expectation of its reflective leaders, to The wisdom of later day mas already compute with Democracy for the fickle been demonstrated. It is no longer in favor of those voters who are likely at need of defence. Such a massing of any minute to be tossed hither and intelligent factors in the great indus. In ther by firsting political vagaries tries of our land as was shown in yes. In such a competition the Republican terday's local parade forms an object party would from the start, be hopeinscribed conspicuously on its face capped first by its traditions, which form a glorious record of adhesion to cut this country of sometimes abused fixed and lowertable principles. It liberty there may have been demon, would be bandleapped secondly by its strations that exceeded prudent controlling membership, which is not bounds these are merely the excep- willing to be made the sport and byplay of demagogues nor so anxious to uttain office as to be willing to stoop to our popular advangement. In yester the depths which form the natural and day's parade were men who, to lay normal level of Democratic campaign management And, finally, it would be prevented by its manifest destray as the one great progressive political organization to worth the masses, when weary of Democratic dissimulation, hypocrisy, incompetency and decent may turn with confidence in its ability to logislate aggressively and administer without fear.

If the recent Democratic restoration has taught this generation of voters one thing more decisively than another it is that the Democratic party is unfit to govern the republic. It is fit only to look on and grumble. As minority ob-THE ROSTER of the Hustlers' Boss structionists, its leaders are able and nomibly meeful. As majority constructionists, they are the laughing stock of civilization. The Republican manent disaster so long as it bases its appeal to the conscience and to the inmission is to set, to legislate, to achieve. It cannot and it dare not descend to agglery or to dissimulation. An honest dollar is its companion demand to an honest ballot and an honest wage, There are no possible deviations from these manifestly cardinal principles, It is not worth while to stop to experiment with Machiavellian methods. tive Honk, Dem., it might be inferred The path of Republicanism points straight and clear to the consummation of its fundamental purposes, the fortification of protection, the purification of the franchise and the establishment of a currency worth its face value in every mart where men buy and sell.

THE REPORT which comes from Pike county that much illegal fishing has been done in the once-prodigal streams of that paradise of piscatorial enthusiasts is only too plausible. The decimation of Pennsylvania's game fish is progressing at a rate altogether out of proportion to the reported legal eatches and can be explained by no other theory than that the fish laws are generally and systematically violated. It is an emphatic shame that the voracity of poachers should thus exhaust a natural resource which, once gone, can never be replaced.

BOTH FRIENDS and opponents of Sunday closing ought to insist with equal emphasis on a rigid inforcement of the Sunday laws. If these laws are suited to the wishes of the majority, they will cratic member from Luzerne. It facetiously remain on the statute book; if not, they will be repealed. The American people are not slow to secure the enact-ment of laws conforming to their cummiblent atmosphere that for a time wishes.

THE MINISTERS of Lexington may through mistaken charity lend aid to a perfidious man's political ambitions, but while they are doing this Rav. Frank DeWitt Calmage is preaching sound sense. Witness this extract:

The universal disgnst over sensational breach of promise trials is not in the fact so much that a defendant lies. There are feat" to the influence exerted upon organized labor by the prompt course of Governor McKinley in ordering state | breach of promise trials is not in the fact so much that a defendant lies. There are more interesting one. Not that he is guilty. There are more guity than one; but because, in nearly every case, they try to clear | Mehard.

their own records by claiming that most women are bad and that most men are hyp-ocrais, and they just happen to be found out. There are billions of stars in the heavens, yet the only light we see is the heavens, yet the only light we see is the meteor running satray. There are hundreds of happy homes, yet the only home that ever crawls, recking with slime, into the court room, is that in which there is a scandal and a divorce. We ought to feel sad that one of the most brilliant representatives of one of the most brilliant families of old Kentucky has been ruined; that one of the brightest lights of congress is about to be snuffed out; that one of the nost honored public speakers is disgraced But cannot we rejoice that our tomes have been vindicated; cannot we be thank al that public sentiment in almost every ase thinks right if man does not always act right? This is talk that has the true ring

TTHE Pie Counter.

Mamma-Bobby has a promising voice Caller-Do you propose to have it culti-

Mamma-Yes, He is up at the ball rounds now developing for chorus work elling on the bleaching boards, Hoax-Do you believe that thirteen is a

fatal number? Joax-Well, all the people who lived in he thirteenth century are dead,-Phila-lelphia Record. *** Tragedian-He thou a spirit of health-

Amateur Ghost-I ought to be; I've just

en vaccinated. Lena-She would be better off without her husband, wouldn't she? Laura—I should say so. His life is in-sured for \$40,000.—Touth.

They tell me your husband is a very grave man. You. He's an undertaker.

"Cholly's in love, or else he's verwy much distwessed,"
"How do you know?" "He has gwown careless in his attire.

. . . Teacher-Johnny, name a synonym for

Johnny (promptly)---Wilkes-Barre.

In was actually seen on the stweet with-at his two walls world up." - Washington

Boxis has done well with grand opera n spite of the hard times," said one man-ger to another. "I wonder how be rorked it to keep ahead of his expenses." "He did it easily. He stipulated in the contracts that every time the prima donnas quarreied they should be fined. Most of the time they are in debt to him."— Wash-

OME PASSING THOUGHTS: It does not require an unexceptionally good man to discover the faults of his neighbors.

The sale of a ginger snap is on a plane with the of three fingers, of Jersey lightning in the eyes of the Sunday closing law. In the eyes of the cvil man all the world's awry.

It is impossible to judge a man by the tale of woe he may unfold. The howl of a coyote, even, has a deleful sound.

LIVE JOTTINGS OF POLITICS.

The lieutenant governorship fight doubt-less rests at present almost wholly upon he decision of the Philadelphia delegation f they can be held together for Lyon, the enfrom Aleghers will be numurated thout serious difficulty. If however, a efforts of Jack Robinson and Colonel Stewart to break in on this sondist some success to any great extent, the outcome will be thrown in doubt, with the chances favoring Hobinson. Those who know say the I'bladelnia contingent with the divided in spite of the heastful claim that it is unanimous for Lyon.

The hitterest indicial fight of the was will be decided at today's Republican primarisals Delaware county, the contest anta being Judge Clavton, who wasts renomination, and Captain Judgeon with tepresents these that believe that Judgeon with the county to the county of the county to the county t inclusives of that judgment and immer-appert, would be a public misforthm indging from the newspapers of Irelawar sunity, there is only one side to the figh-hat headed by Captain Johnson. But will take the primary vote to settle the question. Jack Robinson's Media Leager

The conviction is dawning upon many Democratic minds that when all is said no botter adjustment of this year's for rn gubernatottal hore can be made the indicated in this ticket. For governor idian Uniory Hensel of Language, an or besterant governor. Waltam Heary fines, of Luteros. Here we have harby, supheny, alliteration and pros-tinges without stint. Hurrah for Hensel

Philadelphia Republicans will this year oppose McAleer by the nomination of straightour, Republican protectionist the staying kind. The vast commerci and industrial interests of this rich dis riet cannot be confided with safely to an number of a party which can whip in representatives in line, against their pre-vate convictions, for a measure menacing the business of the country with great curtailment or downright destruction.

With reference to the charge of personal with reference to the charge of personal enumies that he had already expended \$40,000 in his light for delegates Representative Robinson save: "I never had \$40,000 in my life to spend. I have a little money and have to use it carefully, as I am not a millionaire. They told a story that I spent \$3,000 to get Blair county. Now, the fact is, all that fight cost me, and it was the bitterest one, was only \$350. Of this amount \$150 went to newspapers for advertising." The man who papers for advertising." The man who should pay out \$40,000 or even a tenth of that sum, in persuit of an office that has little salary and no perquisites would ob-viously be a fool. Mr. Robinson has never been accused of such a grave lack of shrewdness,

That was a bright definition of the genius of the Republican party which Con-gressman Lemuel Eli Quigg gave when he said: "It detests evasion. It despises compromise. It rejoices in opportunity. Eudeavor is its element and opposition its quickening spirit. It is boldest when overmatched, readiest when most beset, soberest when most successful. It goes directly from one duty to the next that is to be done. Its mission will end when all construction ends, or when society divides on some other lines than those of action and inaction, when the moving current proceeds from other poles than the posi-tive and the negative."

Even the staidly Democratic Hazleton remarks: "White-winged peace reigns supreme now between Hon. William Hines, of the Twelfth Congressional dis-trict, and Postmaster Bissell. The cirwas of a decidedly cerulean bue, owing to the vivid nature of the little congresaman's ejaculations, is once more restored to its normal ozonic state. But when shall we have a decision as to the Hazleton office?" That's the question, When?

Senator James S. Fruit, of Sharon, denies that western Pennsylvania Republican friends of Major McDowell intend to knife Lyon should Huff beat their candidate in



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